OIL, GAS & MINING



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Velina Miller Quality Building Stone 993 West 14730 South Bluffdale, Utah 84065

Response required by June 24, 2016.

Subject: <u>Directive to Update Notice of Intention to Commence Small Mining Operations</u>, Quality Building Stone, Lucero Red North, S/055/0023, Wayne County, Utah

Dear Ms. Miller:

The Division of Oil, Gas and Mining has reviewed the referenced Notice of Intention to Commence Small Mining Operations (NOI), and the application for a partial release of the reclamation surety. The following items will need to be addressed before the NOI can be determined complete and the Division can approve the release:

- 1. The disturbed area boundaries need to be defined. Of particular concern is the roads and road sections that are part of the disturbed area. Roads that are permitted are those roads that would have no use to the landowner after mining
- 2. Please include in the NOI one map that shows the location of all disturbed areas including the loadouts and storage areas and roads.
- 3. Please provide a table and maps showing the areas which have been
  - a. Backfilled and regraded and when this occurred (year and month).
  - b. Seeded and when this occurred (year and month).

Please also show when final release was granted.

- 4. The following additional items are needed in the Notice:
  - In Section III (Operations) item 8, please update the total surface acres being used for mining operations, including mining, processing, and loading. This should not include areas that have been reclaimed.
  - b. Section I item 3, please update the corporate officers are needed.
  - c. Section I item 4, please update the operator representative. Should Steve Miller be a contact person?

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d. Update the registered agent (registered agent as listed by Division of Corporations).

Please provide your response as replacement pages to the original NOI, using Form MR-REV-SMO/EXP, available on the Division's web page at www.ogm.utah.gov.

The Division has received two requests to release a portion of the reclamation surety being held for this site. The Division will reevaluate the requests after receiving a complete response to this letter. In addition, the Division has previously required that the reclamation surety for this mine be increased. The Division will delay enforcing the requirement that the surety be increased until the required surety amount can be determined. This amount will be based largely on the disturbed area acreage.

## Please submit a response to this letter no later than June 24, 2016.

Please call Wayne Western at 801-538-5263 or me at 801-538-5261 if you have questions regarding this letter. In reply, <u>please refer to file number S/055/0023</u>. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Paul B. Baker

Minerals Program Manager

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cc: Sue Fivecoat and John Reay, Hanksville BLM (sfivecoa@blm.gov and jreay@blm.gov) P:\GROUPS\MINERALS\WP\M055-Wayne\S0550023-LuceroRed\final\REV-5170,7021,7345-05092016.docx